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SUBJ: ECE-POLISH VIEWS ON CSCE FOLLOW-UP

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1. JAN WORONIECKI, POLISH MISSION OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR LIAISON WITH ECE, CALLED ON SPRINGER AT US MISSION FEB 19 TO DISCUSS ECE ROLE IN CSCE FOLLOW-UP AND SPECIFICALLY STANOVNIK REPORT TO 31ST SESSION OF ECE (DOCUMENT E/ECE/900). LIKE AMB JURAZ, DURING HIS CALL ON MOREY (IO) FEB 9 AND PREGG, (EUR:RPE) FEB 10, WORONIECKI STRESSED THAT ECE MUST REMAIN PRIMARILY CONCERNED WITH EAST-WEST COOPERATION. HE ALSO AGREED THAT WHILE ECE SHOULD NOT UNDERTAKE EXTENSIVE NEW PROGRAMS DEVOTED TO DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS, IT MIGHT SHARE EXPERIENCE WITH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

2. IN INTERESTING DIVERSION, HOWEVER, WORONIECKI, WHO ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR LIAISON WITH OFFICE OF REGIONAL UNDP
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ROLE AS EXECUTING AGENCY FOR UNDP. HE NOTED THAT ECE HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SOME UNDP REGIONAL PROJECTS (NORTH-SOUTH HIGHWAY, DANUBE PROJECT) AND SUGGESTED THAT FURTHER ACTIVITY OF THIS TYPE WOULD ALLOW UNDP TO ASSIST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WITHOUT DRAWING ON LIMITED RESOURCES UNDER UN REGULAR BUDGET WHICH ALREADY INSUFFICIENT FOR CURRENT PROGRAM.

3. TURNING TO DISCUSSION OF AGENDA FOR 31ST SESSION OF ECE, WORONIECKI REVIEWED ACTINS WHICH HAD LED TO THREE AGENDA ITEMS ON ECE ROLE IN CSCE FOLLOW-UP: (1) "THE FUTURE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION (COMMISSION RESOLUTION 2(XXX))" (AS ORIGINALLY APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION AT ITS 30TH SESSION; (2) "ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE AND THE FINAL ACT OF THE CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE-OBJECTIVES OF THE COMMISSION IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISIONS OF THE FINAL ACT OF THE CSCE" (AS PROPOSED BY YUGOSLAVIA); AND (3) "THE ROLE OF THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE IN THE LIGHT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FINAL ACT OF THE CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE" (AS PROPOSED BY POLAND). WORONIECKI SAID THAT POLAND, ACTING AS REPRESENTATIVE OF EASTERN COUNTRIES, DESIRED SEPARATE ITEM SPECIFICALLY HIGHLIGHTING CSCE FINAL ACT. POLAND WAS UNABLE TO ACCEPT YUGOSLAV PROPOSAL, HOWEVER, AS IT OBJECTED TO WORDS "OBJECTIVES" AND "DECISIONS", SINCE FORMER OPENED WAY TO DEVELOPING COUNTRY ASSISTANCE AND LATTER TECHNICALLY DID NOT EXIST IN FINAL ACT. HE SAID YUGOSLAVS HAD BEEN UNWILLING TO ALTER TEXT IN ORDER TO REACH COMPROMISE, SO BOTH ITEMS HAD BEEN INSERTED IN AGENDA. HE AGREED THAT IT WAS LIKELY COMMISSION WOULD DISCUSS ALL THREE ITEMS AT SAME TIME.

4. IN RESPONSE TO QUERY, WORONIECKI ALSO AGREED THAT COMMISSION'S SESSIONAL COMMITTEE WOULD BE UNABLE IN SHORT TIME AVAILABLE AND LACKING BROAD RANGE OF TECHNICAL EXPERTS ON DELEGATIONS, TO DECIDE ON DETAILED WORK PROGRAMS FOR SUBSIDIARY BODIES BASED ON ANNEXES TO E/ECE/900. COMMISSION MIGHT STATE PREFERENCES FOR CERTAIN SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES BUT IN GENERAL WOULD HAVE TO LIMIT ITSELF TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GIVING BROAD GUIDELINES WITH DETAILED ADAPTATION OF WORK PROGRAMS BEING LEFT TO SUBSIDIARY BODIES THEMSELVES.

5. COMMENT: POLISH POSITION IN PARAS 1 AND 2 ABOVE AT FIRST GLANCE APPEAR INCONSISTENT. HOWEVER, POLES LIKELY SEE ECE DECISION TO SEEK EXPANDED ROLE IN IMPLEMENTATING UNDP PROJECTS AS WAY OF MOLLIFYING SOUTHER TIER ECE COUNTRIES WITHOUT INTRODUCING NEW PROJECTS DESIGNED TO ASSIST

DEVELOPING COUNTRIES INTO REGULAR ECE WORK PROGRAM.
UNDP-FUNDED PROJECTS MIGHT OF COURSE BENEFIT OTHER
EASTERN COUNTRIES SUCH AS POLAND WHICH SOUTHER COUNTRIES
WOULD NOT INCLUDE IN DEVELOPING GROUP. DALE

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